

NEXT MEETING:

Monday November 18, 6:30 p.m. Allentown Public Library

Break-ins to Garages and Cars; Daytime Burglaries in the West End

At our October LANA meeting, Allentown Police Captain Gail Struss warned us about break-ins to garages and unlocked cars, usually afternoon and evening, taking lawn equipment and leaf blowers, anything that can be exchanged.

The West End has experienced a number of daytime burglaries; not in our area yet. Homes have been ransacked, with drawers dumped, jewelry and electronics stolen. It is devastating for the residents.

Captain Struss added: "If you see someone who does not belong and their behavior is suspicious, call the police. The fact you have never seen a person before in your neighborhood in and of itself is not suspicious. They would have to be doing something that makes you think something just isn't right.

For example: if a neighbor who had never seen a person before saw him loitering on a corner that people don't normally stand on, and when the neighbor approached him he obviously turned away from him so he couldn't see his face, all of those things put together make the person suspicious. It doesn't matter what race they are. I would recommend calling the non-emergency number 610-437-7751 instead of 911 unless it is a real emergency."

Winter Safety

As winter comes, check your smoke alarms.

Do you have one for every floor? And every bedroom?

If the batteries are a year or more old, it may be time to replace them.

Check your furnace – oil every year, gas furnaces every 3 years.

Be sure your chimney is clear, so you don't have fumes coming back into the house. Best of all, get a carbon monoxide detector!

Contacts

Nicholas Butterfield 610-770-1751 Butterfn@aol.com

Dottie Anderson 610-435-6684

Delivery person needed for Madison Street

Fernando Vasquez, who has been one of our 8 newsletter delivery persons for the past year, has moved. We need someone to replace his route on Madison Street. The time takes less than two hours.

Our newsletter helps keep LANA residents informed. *If you can help contact Nick*.

CLIP & SAVE IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS *GUARDE ESTOS NÚMEROS IMPORTANTES*

| Police/Fire/Ambulance | 911 |
|---|--------------|
| Police: Non-Emergency | 610-437-7751 |
| Loud Music/Noise/Working on Cars | 610-437-7751 |
| Chief MacLean | 610-437-7777 |
| Police: Vice Unit | 610-437-7626 |
| Gang Tip Line | 610-439-5934 |
| Crime Tip Line | 610-439-5911 |
| Mayor Ed Pawlowski | 610-437-7546 |
| Zoning Office | 610-437-7630 |
| Code Enforcement/Problem Properties | 610-437-7695 |
| Housing/Rentals | 610-437-7697 |
| -(Infestations, no heat/water) | |
| Street light out | 610-437-7735 |
| Recycling, trash & garbage | 610-437-8729 |
| -Special Operator (after 7 p.m.) | 610-437-7571 |
| Graffiti (to request removal) | 610-437-8729 |
| Tall Grass & Weeds | 610-437-8729 |
| Shopping cart pick up | 610-437-8729 |
| Streets | 610-437-7638 |
| Animal Control | 610-437-7535 |
| Animal abuse/neglect | 610-797-1205 |
| Overgrown shrubs | 610-437-7589 |
| Uncleared sidewalks Allentown Parking Authority | 610-437-7589 |
| Allentown Farking Authority | 610-437-3366 |

www.AllentownPA.Gov

Upcoming LANA Meetings!

Monday November 18, 6:30 p.m.

December 14 Holiday Luncheon

Ideas for 2014. We welcome ideas for next year's meetings and projects. Call Nick Butterfield, at 610-770-1751 or Butterfn@aol.com

LANA's October Meeting

At our October meeting, five candidates for office told us about why they were running for election. These included:

Rashid Santiago, Candidate for District Justice for the District north of Hamilton Street.

Michael Donovan, Independent Candidate for Mayor of Allentown.

Tom Muller, Democratic Candidate for County Executive.

Ed Pawlowski, Democratic and Republican Candidate for Mayor of Allentown.

Nick Butterfield, Write-in Candidate for Judge of Elections for the 13-2 Electoral District, which will now vote at the Allentown Public Library.

With the exception of Michael Donovan, four out of the five candidates appear to have won, and we wish each one well.

2014 Meeting Dates

These past few years, we have tried to alternate between the $3^{\rm rd}$ Saturday at 10 am and the $3^{\rm rd}$ Monday at 6:30 pm. In January and February, because of holidays when the Library is closed, we have to meet on the $3^{\rm rd}$ Saturday.

Should we continue this? One suggestion is to hold meetings on 5 Saturdays and 5 Mondays each year. Let Nick Butterfield know.